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# Opening of the New Millinery.

Tomorrow (Thursday) and Following Days of the Week We Shall Present in the Green and Mahogany Salon

Our Direct Fall Importations and Personal Selections in

Parisian Hats, Toques, Turbans and Bonnets, Woodward & Lothrop Creations,

Elegant Millinery Materials, Charming Novelties and Exquisite Imported Neckpieces.

HE richest, most elaborate Millinery Opening in the history of our business will begin tomorrow in our green and mahogany salon, second floor. Our millinery buyer, whose taste and judgment are relied on by the most exacting patrons, spent several weeks in Europe, selecting the new stock from the best manufacturers and celebrated milliners. The result is the most tasteful, elegant and varied collection of superb creations we have ever assembled. Pattern Hats from the salons of the leading French Milliners are

here in great splendor. Pouyanne, Tore, Felix, Camille Rogers, Valetta, Soeurs, Marie Michel, Virot, Georgette and Mangin Maurice are among those who have contributed to this artistic assemblage of the

The accepted fashions and shapes leading in the old world are not superior in ideas and plans that give the pronounced originality and refined finish so frequently remarked in the

## Woodward & Lothrop Hats,

and place them equal to any of the best importations in this gathering

Hats of velvet, beaver and felt are greatly in evidence. However, some of the very latest conceits are of tinsel, lace and like thin materials. Many of the heavier-weight hats have the brims lined with maline, which

always lends a softening effect that is becoming to any one. Ostrich feathers were never more popular or more beautiful, in tips and magnificent plumes. Wings and breasts and other feathers are extensively used.

These days there are no seasons for flowers. They are with us the year round, and they bloom abundantly on the fall and winter hats, but they are in new tints.

Ribbons of silk and velvet are conspicuous. Indeed, they are necessary on the new hats, as the high turns require graceful filling. The perfection of this is particularly noticeable in our own hats.

Several new shades are shown this season. Those most used are becoming to nearly every one, and lend a distinguished effect. Mourning millinery is especially elegant this season. Here are su-

perb models from the celebrated French designer, Mangin Maurice. Dress Hats and School Hats for young girls and children are in profusion. The school hats have marked durable qualities, and those for dressy occasions are dainty and charming.

An attractive feature of the present display is the varied and beautiful collection of Neck Pieces, including many novelties in this line.

This special display has been prepared with great care, and furnishes convincing evidence that the most exacting demands of the critical buyer will be fully satisfied in our splendidly equipped Millinery Salon. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Underprice Sale of

Hand-made French Lingerie.

Petticoats, made of fine nainsook and percale and tastefully trimmed

with fine tucks, lace, ribbon and pretty designs of hand embroidery.

Prospective October brides are thus afforded an opportunity to add to

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We also offer in connection with the above our remaining stock of

Drawers-\$2.00 to \$15.00. Were \$3.00 to \$25.00.

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Infants' Hand-made French Dresses

at reduced prices. Included are long and short dresses, made entirely

by hand and becomingly trimmed with shirring, tucks, lace insertion,

featherstitching and lace-edged ruffles. Very dainty garments and very

September Furniture Sale

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beautiful pieces for personal use or as wedding gifts should avail of

this opportunity to secure exceptionally high-grade, artistic furniture at

prices averaging a third to a half below real value.

UR Annual September Furniture Sale ends with the week-the

month. The demand, in many instances, has been such that

the lines have been reduced to one or two pieces of a kind.

These goods cannot be duplicated; and those desiring odd and

\$9.50 Dresses are now \$6.50.

\$12.00 Dresses are now \$8.50.

\$14.00 Dresses are now \$10.00.

\$15.00 Dresses are now \$12.00.

\$55.00. Value, \$100.00.

Quartered Golden Oak Butler's Table, carved op, long linen drawer, lower shelf; size 36x19. \$16.75. Value, \$25.00.

Solid Muhogany Butler's Table, similar to th

\$17.85. Value, \$30.00.

Mahogany Arm Chairs, Venetian arms, crotch

\$6.35. Value, \$12.00.

Golden Oak Buffet, lined silver drawer, large

\$18.95. Value, \$25.00.

Satin Bird's-eye Maple Chiffonier, serpentin

\$20.00. Value, \$30.00.

Genuine Leather Couch, diamond tufted, spring

\$29.75. Value, \$37.00.

Windsor Mahogany Rockers, \$6.00. Value, \$10.00.

\$2.50 Dresses are now \$2.00.

\$3.50 Dresses are now \$2.50.

\$4.75 Dresses are now \$3.75.

\$6.75 Dresses are now \$4.75.

Golden Oak Dresser, neatly hand carved, French legs, claw feet, oval mirror-very graceful shape.

\$29.75. Value, \$37.50.

Golden Oak Dresser, made similar to the above,

\$29.75. Value, \$37.50.

Golden Oak Chiffonier, to match the above dressers.

\$29.75. Value, \$37.50.

Very fine Golden Oak Chiffonier, hand carved, swell front.

\$28.85. Value, \$45.00.

Golden Oak Book Case, cross-banded, hand-carved legs and feet, adjustable shelves.

\$29.75. Value, \$45.00.

Golden Oak Book Case, made similar to the

\$37.50. Value, \$60.00.

Handsome French Parlor Table, solid mahogany, neatly inisid with pearl and satin wood; size 26x36.

\$27.00. Value, \$50.00.

Solid Mahogany Rocker, box seat, carved back. \$19.85. Value, \$30.00.

Petticoats-\$15.00. Were \$25.00.

E offer some beautiful Hand-made French Underwear at

specially reduced prices. Our new stock is arriving, and

to make room for same we want to close out what we

have on hand. There are Gowns, Chemises, Drawers and

One of the most superb hats on exhibition is a Woodward & Lothrop, of white beaver in the new sailor shape, with a very high bandeau of white maline. The broad rim is lined with a puffing of white chiffon. The derby crown is surrounded by two long, very full white plumes, and two tips are placed on the bandeau. The rim is turned very high

A charming imported hat is of the taupe shade, which is entirely new and very beautiful. It is built of velvet, silver braid and ostrich feathers,

The celebrated Madame Georgette is represen by a most unique hat in peacock blue. It is of velvet and plumes, and over the crown is draped a blue lace veil, caught to the rim by jet orna-

A stunning Paris hat is of black velvet, raised very high at the back. The trimmings are plumes in white and jet ornaments. Exquisite roses and a bow of black maline complete the back.

A very serviceable bat is of red felt, quite high at the back. Two black wings are caught together by a handsome clasp. The full bow is of

An exquisite Woodward & Lothrop hat is in th mulberry shades. The trimmings are bows and feethers, and roses and buds all in mulberry, with tints of silver in fern leaves.

One of the daintiest hats on exhibition is a Woodward & Lothrop. It is of rare Irish lace, the brim having a band formed of tiny ruffles of reai Valenciennes. Around the lace crown is a handsome collar of French roses in soft tints. A chiffon scarf is draped on the high bandeau at

An imported sailor has the distinction of being built of silver tinsel. The broad rim is bordered with black velvet, and turned up very high at the back, where pink chrysanthemums and a bow of maline lend a bright touch. The black lace vell is draped over the light crown and caught to the brim by jet ornaments.

### The New Boston Derby.

We show a number of styles of the "Boston" Derby for Fall '05.

These hats are light in weight and have the cushion sweat band, which makes them fit the head all around, and feel perfectly comfortable. Black and brown.

\$2.00. Value, \$2.50.

We are also showing a large line of Soft Hats, including the new grays, at this price (\$2.00), in all the

Several of these styles are especially good for young men. Black and light colors. \$2.00 each.

See our \$2.00 hat window on F

### New Fall Suits for Young Men.

Our showing of Young Men's Suits is larger and more comprehensive than ever. Our business in this line has greatly increased in the last few years, and we have brought together for this season a stock that is in keeping with every possible want of the up-to-date young man. Included are single and double- right fit. Once these requirements are propbreasted styles of fine worsteds, tweeds, serges and cheviots, sizes 31 to 36-inch chest measure.

\$10.00, \$12.50, \$13.50, \$15.00, \$16.50 Third floor, Tenth st.

### Special Value in "P. N." Corsets.

"P. N." Corsets afford that rare combination of perfect fit and extreme comfort.

We have purchased and offer at a special price a small lot (15 dozen in all) "P. N." Corsets, made of excellent quality French coutil, in the latest straight-front style, with high bust and dip hip; elastics attached:

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79c. Value, \$1.00.

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Kneipp "Linen Mesh" Underwear being porous, it allows the speedy evaporation of perspiration, keeping the skin dry and healthy and increasing its power to resist atmospheric changes. The most sensitive skin is not irritated by contact with linen mesh, whereas wool and cotton offen cause discomfort. Furthermore linen mesh preserves the natural heat of the body, is light in weight and is a most all-round comfortable underwear. It will not shrink in washing or wear: it never becomes hard, nor loss its porous texture. Beautifully made, all bindings and stays of linen, seams clastic, points subject to most strains reinforced, all buttonholes hand made, both white and ecru color—the latter being more strongly recommended for wearing qualities.

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## Agreement Between England and Japan.

Fall Opening ON A COMMON BASIS

TERRITORIAL RIGHTS IN EAST-

Guarantees Integrity of Chinese Empire and Pledges the

our Picture Department, The text of the new agreement between Great Britain and Japan, which was signed which is now one of the by Lord Landsdowne, the British foreign most interesting in the secretary, and Baron Hayashi, the Japahouse, and contains every popular nese minister to Great Britain, on August subject, copyrighted and otherwise 12, was issued by the foreign office in London last evening. The momentous docu--everything artistic that comes ment is a brief one, comprising less than under the head of "Art"-pictures, 800 words, including eight articles and a oil paintings, water colors, pastels, photographs, imported prints, pho-Accompanying the agreement is a cover-

togravures, etchings, passe-parng-letter from Lord Landsdowne to the British ambassadors at St. Petersburg and touts, sepias-from the modest re-Paris, for transmission to the Russian and productions to the masterpieces French governments, respectively, in which the foreign secretary courteously reviews In the large number of pictures the agreement and carefully points out that the new defensive alliance is not inof all kinds, in all treatments, there tended as a menace, but rather as a guarantee of peace and prosperity in the far east, in which all countries may partici-

east, in which all countries may participate.

The main features of the new agreement have already been forecasted. The pithy articles of the official text, however, bring out forcefully the tremendous importance to both countries of this alliance, which practically makes Great Britain Japan and Japan Great Britain for the purposes of defense "in the regions of East Asia and India." This inclusion of India specifically as a point at which any aggression by a foreign power will call for the assistance of Japan finds much favor with the press of London, the morning papers, in long, laudatory articles, welcoming the new and more extensive aliance of the two insular kingdoms west and east as giving immediate relief from the dangerous thunder-cloud which for so many years has hung cloud which for so many years has hung over the Indian frontier.

### An Assurance of Peace. Baron Hayashi, who was interviewed

fancy in this line-rich, odd and arafter the publication of the agreement, said "The new treaty forms an effective safeguard against the renewal of disturbances The ever-popular Ready-made n the far east. That is its object. We Frame is shown in every imaginacennot say that a permanent peace has been secured-that is too much to be sure been secured—that is too much to be sure of, but we can aver that tranquillity has been assured for a long time to come. This applies not only to Great Britain and Japan, but also to all powers having political or commercial interests in that part of the world; in fact, to all who have been interested in maintaining the status quo. I repeat that the treaty is a sure guarantee of peace, for that is its aim and object. It should be clearly recognized by all that it is not meant as a menace to any one. It has no aggressive intent, its only object being to secure the peace of the world, so square, oblong-gilt, gold, silver and a unique assortment of wooden effects, in black, brown, green and Mouldings are here in over six hundred different patterns, including shades and effects to harmonize being to secure the peace of the world, so far as the far east is concerned. The treaty is so clearly worded that no further comment is needed, and I am convinced that it We have on the eighth floor out Picture Frame Factory, which is Picture Frame Factory, which is one of the most complete in the country. Our mechanics are skill-will keep to the spirit of the treaty for a ed workmen, who know their busivery long time to come."

Sir Charles Dilke took the position that

ness, and they are supplied with all the proper facilities and up-tostronger guarantee of the maintenance of peace than the previous alliance. He argued that Russia never really was a menace to the Indian frontier, but merely played on the susceptibilities of Great Britain. With regard to Persia, he did not be-lieve that Russia would ever risk a quarrel

## Germany's Reception.

"In reality," said Sir Charles, "the cour tries most affected are France and Gercures possessions which they might have found it impossible to defend. To France the arrangement is entirely satisfactory. With Germany the case may be different, because it deals a blow at the aspirations which Germany is supposed to entertain with regard to the province of Shantung, and because Germany's present privileged and because Germany's present privileged position in Shantung may become non-existent by reason of the treaty. Germany, therefore, may have some slight feeling of irritation because of the limitation thus imposed. It is only in this respect that the treaty is likely to give rise to any permanent unpleasantness. In all other respects it makes for peace."

While there is some criticism of the treaty

While there is some criticism of the treaty in the radical newspapers, it is only half-hearted, and, as a whole, London, which has been anxiously awaiting the breaking of official silence with regard to the document, heaves a sigh of relief and greets with great satisfaction the positive assurance of the future assistance of a powerful oriental ally in all matters pertaining to far

### Preamble to Treaty. The preamble outlining the objects of the

Natural Gray Merino Shirts and Drawers; this has proven a favorite for many years. Shirts and drawers are each self-faced, neatly trimmed with slik braid and stayed well where the most strain treaty reads; "The governments of Great Britain and Japan, being desirous of replacing the agreement concluded between them January

30, 1902, by fresh stipulations, have agreed upon the following articles, which have for their object: "A. Consolidation and the maintenance of general peace in the regions of eastern Asia and India.

"B. The preservation of the common in-terests of all the powers in China by insur-ing the independence and integrity of the Chinese empire and the principle of equal opportunities for the commerce and indus-try of all nations in China

try of all nations in China.
"C. The maintenance of the territorial

rights of the high contracting parties in the regions of eastern Asia and India, and the defense of their special interests in the said The text of the treaty is as follows:
"Article 1. It is agreed that whenever in
the opinion either of Great Britain or Japan

any of the rights and interests referred to in the preamble to this agreement are in in the preamble to this agreement are in jeopardy, the two governments will commu-nicate with one another fully and frankly and will consider in common the measures which should be taken to safeguard those

goes back to the two-piece kind. They are unquestionably the most all-'round satisfactory undergarment a man can wear. We show different weights in cotton, merino and wool; different leg and body lengths to each chest measure, and can fit most men. For men of unusual size or shape we can furnish in a reasonably short time, and at small additional cost. Prices range from which should be taken to safeguard those menaced rights or interests.

"Article 2. Should either of the high contracting parties be involved in war in defense of its territorial rights or special interests, the other party will at once come to the assistance of its ally, and both parties will conduct a war in common and make peace in mutual agreement with any power or powers involved in such war.

"Article 3. Japan possessing paramount political, military and economic interests in Korea, Great Britain recognizes Japan's right to take such measures for the guidance, control and protection of Korea as she may deem proper and necessary to safeguard and advance those interests, providing the measures so taken are not contrary to the principle of equal opportunities for the commerce and industry of all nations.

"Article 4. Great Britain, having a special interest in all that concerns the security of the Indian frontier, Japan recognizes her right to take such measures in the proximity of that frontier as she may find necessary for safegua. Ing her Indian possessions.

### No Separate Arrangement. "Article 5. The high contracting parties

agree that neither will, without consulting the other, enter into a separate arrange ment with another power to the prejudice of the objects described in the preamble. "Article 6. As regards the present war between Japan and Russia, Great Britain will continue to maintain strict neutrality unless some other power or powers join in hostlitles against Japan, in which case Great Britain will come to the assistance of Japan, will conduct war in common, and will make peace in mutual agreement with Japan.

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# The Carpet Sale. 45c. Ingrain Carpets. 32%c.

85c. Brussels Carpets..... 69c. \$1.00 Brussels Carpets.
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\$1.35 Axminster Carpets.
\$1.36 Axminster Carpets.
\$1.50 Axminster Carpets. The Rug Sale.

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the means by which such assistance shall be made available, will be arranged by the naval and military authorities of the con-tracting parties, who will from time to time consult one another fully and freely on all

'Article 8. The present agreement shall e subject to the provisions of article 6, and come into effect immediately after the date of signature, and remain in force for ten years from that date in case neither of the parties shall have been notified twelve months before the expiration of sale ten years of an intention of terminating it. It shall remain binding until the expiration of one year from the day on which either of the parties shall have denounced it, but f, when the date for the expiration arrives, either ally is actually engaged in war, the alliance shall be ipso facto, and continue until peace shall be concluded."

With the treaty was issued a dispatch to the British ambassador at St. Petersburg, Sir Charles Hardinge, with the request that the treaty be communicated to the Bussian

the treaty be communicated to the Russian government. The dispatch is explanatory of the delay in publishing the treaty, due peace between Russia and Japan. In it Lord Lansdowne says:
"The Russian government will, I trust,

recognize that this new agreement is an in-ternational instrument, to which no exception can be taken by any of the powers in terested in the affairs of the far east."

### Lord Lansdowne's Comment. Continuing, Lord Lansdowne says: -

"Great Britain, I believe, may count or he good will and support of all the pow ers in endeavoring to maintain peace in eastern Asia, and in seeking to uphold the integrity and independence of the Chinese empire and the principle of equal oppor-tunity for the commerce and industry of all nations in that empire. On the other hand, the interests of the contracting parties are of a kind upon which they are fully entitled to insist, and the announcement that those interests must be safeguarded is one which can create no surprise and need give ris to no misgivings."

Special mention is made of articles II and III. Of the latter Lord Lansdowne "It recognizes in the clearest terms th

paramount position which Japan at this moment occupies, and must henceforth occupy, in Korea, and her right to take the measures which she may be found now the measures which she may be found how in the protection of her political, military and economic interests in that country. It is, however, expressly provided that such measures must not be contrary to the prin-ciple of equal opportunities for the com-merce and industry of other nations. The treaty at this point differs conspicuously from that of 1902. Japan in Korea.

Japanese empire and to its inability to stand alone, must fall under the control ernment observes with satisfaction that this point has been readily conceded by every reason to believe that similar views are held by the other powers with regard to the relations which should subsist beto the relations which should subsist be-tween Japan and Korea. His majesty's government ventures to anticipate that the alliance thus concluded, designed as it is for objects that are purely peaceful and for the protection of rights and interests the validity of which cannot be contested, will be regarded with approval by the government to which you are accredited. The British government is justified in believing that the conclusion of this alliance may not have been without effect in facilitating not have been without effect in facilitating the settlement by which the war was so happily brought to an end, and its members earnestly trust that the alliance may for years to come be instrumental in securing the peace of the world in those regions which come within its scope."

A similar dispatch was addressed to Sir Francis Bertle, the British ambassador at Paris.

## Slight Blaze.

826 B street northeast, this morning about 10 o'clock. The fire department went to the house in response to an alarm turned in from box 632, and extinguished the blaze Ask Henry Evans to show you the

Venerable Colored Man the Victim of

Ernest Burgdorf, in the rear of 629 D street northwest, this morning to see 'Pap," as Andrew Hillman, colored, was 'Pap" Hillman was nearly ninety years old, and had been employed by Mr. Burgdorf for nearly forty years. He was well known by people who had patronized the stable years ago, and was popular among the people in the neighborhood. A room on the second floor of the building was used as the old man's home. In this apartment he did his cooking, sleeping and mending, and the colored people in the alley

looked upon him as a father. About 11 o'clock last night he started down the rear steps with a bucket in his hand, and fell. A woman who was passing through the alley at the time was attracted to the stable by the noise, and found him lying at the foot of the steps groaning. She summoned the police, and the latter called upon the Emergency Hospital for

assistance When the physician from the hospital reached the stable he found that life was extinct. The elderly man had sustained a severe fracture of the skull and had lived only a short time afterward. His body was removed to the morgue.

Acting Coroner Glazebrook made an in-vestigation of the affair this morning and gave a certificate of accidental death. Mr. Burgdorf told the superintendent of the morgue that he would take charge of the body and see that it is given a Christian

In all probability the funeral will take place from the home of a daughter of the deceased in South Washington.

# Creditable Record of the Galveston.

It is announced at the Navy Department that the Galveston, which recently returned from a tour of the West Indies covered 4,846 miles, at an average speed of 12 knots an hour. In the run from Santo Domingo city to Hampton Roads, a distance of 1,340 of vessels of her class is but 16.5 knots an heur. It was said at the department that the Galveston, which was built by the gov-ernment, could probably sustain a speed of 16 knots for 5,000 miles at sea in decent weather.

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# Portieres.

# "PAP" HILLMAN DEAD. A colored woman called at the stable of